

LITERACY AND ENGLISH

Information for Parents

*Together we make a  
Family!*

*Growing Happy, Healthy  
Children*

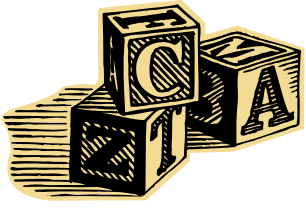


Literacy is one of the key elements of a Curriculum for Excellence and is the responsibility of all practitioners who are involved with children.

## Children should learn to:



- \* have fun with language and making stories
- \* listen to other children and adults during social activities and play
- \* listen with enjoyment and respond to stories, songs, rhymes and poems
- \* listen and respond to the sound and rhythm of words in stories, songs and rhymes
- \* pay attention to information and instructions from an adult
- \* talk to other children or an adult about themselves and their experiences
- \* express needs, thoughts and feelings in speech and non-verbal language
- \* take part in short and more extended conversations
- \* use talk during role play and retell a story or rhyme
- \* use language for a variety of purposes for example to describe, explain or predict
- \* use books to find interesting information
- \* recognise the link between the written and spoken word
- \* understand some of the language and layout of books
- \* develop an awareness of letter names and sounds
- \* use drawings and written marks to express ideas and feelings
- \* experiment with symbols and letters
- \* recognise some familiar words and letters



At KingsWellies Nursery we aim to develop your child's literacy by providing a variety of different resources and play activities.

**Circle  
Time**

**Story  
Tapes**

**Writing  
Table**

**Nursery  
Rhymes**

**Sounds  
Lotto**

**Alphabet  
Games and  
Jigsaws**

**Puppets**

**Book  
Corner**

**Story  
Time**

There are many ways in which you can support the development of your child's communication and language.

\* borrow books from the nursery lending library



\* help your child to learn nursery rhymes and songs

\* listen to story tapes in the car

\* encourage 'writing' by filling forms and junk mail

\* write shopping lists together



\* send letters and cards to friends and family

\* talking with your child and answering questions

\* play 'remembering' and guessing games such as 'I Spy'



\* reading to them every day

\* read familiar words to them, for example labels and shop signs

\* look out for environmental print when out and about. For example, Asda sign, favourite crisp packet, packaging on your groceries.